## BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION



## OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Appeal of) UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA)

Appearances:

For Appellant: G. H. Forster, Comptroller of said

corporation

For Respondent: Reynold E. Blight, Franchise Tax

Commissioner

## OPINION

This is an appeal under Section 25 of the Bank and Corporation Franchise Tax Act (Chap. 13, Stats. 1929) from the action of the Franchise Tax Commissioner in overruling the protest of Union Oil Company of California, against a proposed assessment of an additional tax of \$2,173.37, based upon the net income of said corporation for the year ended December 31, 1929.

The sole point involved in this appeal is the question of the constitutionality of the requirement of the Bank and Corporation Franchise Tax Act (Chap. 13, Stats. 1929) that income from all sources (including that derived from tax exempt federal, state and municipal bonds and securities) be used in the calculation of the tax. For the reasons set forth in our opinion in the case of <u>Vortox Manufacturing</u> Company (filed August 4, 1930), we do not feel warranted in holding the law unconstitutional. On authority of our decisio in that appeal, we believe that we must sustain the action of the Commissioner.

## ORDER

Pursuant to the views expressed in the opinion of the Board on file in this proceeding, and good cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that the action of Reynold E. Blight, Franchise Tax Commissioner, overruling the protest of. Union Oil Company of California, a corporation, against a proposed assessment of an additional tax of \$2,173.37, under Chapter 13, Statutes of 1929, be and the same is hereby sustained.

Done at Sacramento, California, this 19th day of January, 1931, by the State Board of Equalization.

Jno. C. Corbett, Chairman

R. E. Collins, Nember

H. G. Cattall, Member

Fred E. Stewart, Member

Dixwell L. Pierce, Secretary ATTEST:

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